

**From:** Richard Lowenthal  
**To:** Microsoft ATR  
**Date:** 1/15/02 5:39pm  
**Subject:** Microsoft Settlement

Honorable Judge in Microsoft Monoply Suit:  
Sir: I am just sharing the thoughts of a very senior citizen.  
Respectfully,  
Richard Lowenthal

>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 14:15:50 -0500  
>From: Richard Blumenthal <attorney.general@po.state.ct.us>  
>X-Accept-Language: en  
>To: Richard Lowenthal <rlowe@coslink.net>  
>Subject: Re: Microsoft, the monopolist  
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>Richard Lowenthal wrote:  
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>> Honorable Gentlemen,  
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>> I wish to indicate my support for your position in the case of  
>> Microsoft, the Monopolist. I truly feel, as a very senior citizen,  
>> that I have been taken advantage of, many times because of Microsoft'  
>> position. I have been forced to buy version upgrades, at exhorbitant  
>> prices, when the "upgrade" is little more than a "beta" version given  
>> out to the public for money, and it is the public's job to find the  
>> glitches and notify Microsoft so they can make changes and sell  
>> another upgrade. In reality, they should have been doing the research  
>> and after getting a good product, then making it available to the  
>> public.  
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>> How can any of the other Attorneys General resolve this case when  
>> Microsoft is a convicted monopolist? It is my hope that you will see  
>> this case through the courts until justice is done and a suitable is  
>> resolution is found in the courts. I want all to be equal. I just do  
>> not want Microsoft to be MORE EQUAL THAN ANYONE ELSE. KEEP UP THE  
>> GOOD WORK.  
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>> CORDIALLY,  
>> Richard Lowenthal  
>> Frankfort, MI.  
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>Dear Mr. Lowenthal:  
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>Thank you for your recent thoughtful correspondence concerning the  
>Microsoft

>antitrust case.  
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>As you know, on November 6, 2001, the United States Department of Justice  
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>and Microsoft filed a proposed settlement. I did not join that  
>settlement  
>because I do not believe it would accomplish the goals we set when we  
>filed  
>the case. Nor would it accomplish the remedial goals set by the U.S.  
>Court  
>of Appeals: (1) to prohibit the illegal conduct and similar conduct in  
>the  
>future, (2) to spark competition in this industry; and (3) to deprive  
>Microsoft of its illegal gains.  
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>You may also express your opinion to the judge of the federal trial court  
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>considering this settlement by filing written comments with the United  
>States Department of Justice by January 28, 2002, as follows:  
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>Mail: Renata B. Hesse  
>    Antitrust Division  
>    U.S. Department of Justice  
>    601 D Street NW  
>    Suite 1200  
>    Washington, DC 20530-0001  
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>[NOTE: Given recent mail delivery interruptions in Washington, D.C., and  
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>current uncertainties involving the resumption of timely mail service,  
>the  
>Department of Justice strongly encourages that comments be submitted via  
>e-mail or fax.]  
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>E-mail: microsoft.atr@usdoj.gov  
>In the Subject line of the e-mail, type "Microsoft Settlement."  
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>Fax : 1-202-307-1454 or 1-202-616-9937  
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>Please keep me informed of your opinions on the case.  
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>Thank you again for contacting me.  
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>Sincerely,  
>Richard Blumenthal  
>Attorney General

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